District Committee Head Especially Interested in Bad Check and Auction Measures

A committee representing the Retail Merchants' Association, accompanied Assistant Corporation Counsel Roger Whiteford, conferred today with Chairman Ben Johnson, of the House District Committee, regarding the introduction of bills to curb the issurance of "bad checks." to eliminate "fake auction" sales and to prohibit "false advertising" in the iDstrict of Co-

Chairman Johnson was impressed with the showing made by the mer-chants' committee and signified his willingness to support the legislation, particularly the bills relating to bad checks and fake auctions. Johnson expressed the view, it is understood, that the false advertising bill must be drawn with exceeding care and the details of such a measure are yet to be worked out.

Member of Committee.

The committee which called upon the chairman of the District Committee, comprised Ross P. Andrews, president of the Retail Merchants' Association. Charles J. Columbus, its secretary, and M. D. Rosenberg, its general counsel. The committee and Mr. Whiteford closeted with Mr. Johnson for more than an hour and presented in detail arguments in suport of the three bills proposed. It is expected that Johnson will introduce the bills within the next few days and they will be considered promptly by the District Com-

mittee. The "bad check" law favored by the merchants' association would provide for the imprisonment of any person who passes a bad check within the District of Columbia, providing payment on the check is not made good within five days after notice to the drawer of

It is proposed that elimination of take auction sales shall be accomplished by putting such sales under the exclusive jurisdiction, of the District Commissioners. The Commissioners would be empowered to close up any auction establishment which is believed to be of a fraudulent character.

False Ad Bill. The false advertising bil! advocated by the merchants' association is known

at the "Printer's Ink Model Law." It at the "Printer's Ink Model Law." It would check fraudulent advertising by providing that any person falsely representing his goods in an advertisement within the District of Columbia shall be guilty of a misdenicanor.

President Andrews and other representatives of the association expressed pleasure over the result of their conference with the committee chairman and believe that the laws which have been urged by the association will soon be upon the statute books.

FOR ALIENS' WIVES

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morning. Mrs. Barrett also urged that steps be taken to enlist women of South America in the International Council, which already includes twenty-seven nations, but is represented in South America only by a council in Argentina.

Announcement was made that a reception will be given tomorrow afternoon at the Raleigh in honor of Mrs. Carrie Alexander Bahrenburg, representative at the council of the National Woman's Relief Corps. The reception will be given by the Relief Corps of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R. Following the telegram from the executive committee of the General Federation of Women's Clubs had voted to affiliate with the council, an affiliation which has been under consideration for many years, Miss Mary Hays today was named the representative from the federation to the council.

This afternoon there will be a discussion of international relations, conducted by the Marchoiness of Alerdeen and morning. Mrs. Barrett also urged that

sion of international relations, conducted by the Marchoiness of Aberdeen, and this will be followed by reports of ar-fillated societies.

Discuss Immigration.

This evening Lady Aberdeen, president of the International Council, will preside at a public meeting when "Immigration" will be the general subject. A. Caminetti, commissioner general of immigration, will talk on "How Private Organizations Can Aid the Federal Gov-Organizations Can Aid the Federal Government." John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, will speak of "Immigration From an International Viewpoint." Miss Julia Winkler, of New York will talk on "Work of the immigration board of the National Council of Jewish Women." Other addresses will be by Mrs. Julia Andrews, Boston, on "Housing and Employment;" by Mrs. Hanna G. Solomon, Chicago, on "Protective League of Chicago," and by Mrs. Harry Glickmans, New Haven.

New Haven.
The burden of reconstruction after the European war will fall largely upon women of the world, and especially upon women of the United States. Lady Aberdeen told an audience at last evening's meeting in the Raleigh ballroom.
"The women of the United States are always working for the welfare of others," said Lady Aberdeen. "and

of others," said Lady Aberdeen, "and the people of Great Britain will never forget the beneficent work of the American Eed Cross nurses and other women for the women and children of Belgium.

Canada's Greetings.

Lord Aberdeen was to have presided last evening, but he was prevented from doing so by illness, and Mrs. Kate Waller Bariett, president of the National Council, presided instead.

Mrs. W. E. Sanford brought greetings from Canada, and Mrs. Barrett told of her experiences as a representative of the Bureau of Immigration at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Mrs. Ellen Spencer Mussey, former member of the Board of Education, and honorary dean of the Washington College of Law, lescribed the changing status of women in the legislation of

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Within that time, she said, three States, South Dakota, Idaho, and Maine, have made mothers equal guardlans with fathers. This makes sixteen States where such a law prevails.

She pointed to three thew suffrage States, Nevada, Montana, and Arizona, added since her last report as chairman of the legislative committee, making thirteen States in all where women have the vote.

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States, Arkaneas, Georgia, and Virginia where women are not admitted to the ber to practice law.

For tomorrow night, one of the most interesting meetings of the series, that under the auspices of the Woman's Benefit Association of the Maccabees, will be held in conjunction with a reception at which Lady Aberdeen will be lead the line.

Preceding the program about 1.500 delegates of the national council, and Washington club women, will be received. In the receiving line will be also Mrs. Bina M. West, Mrs. Alice B. Locke, of Michigan; Mrs. Eva L. McCumber, of North Dakota, and Congressman Fess of Ohio.

There will be a musical program by soloists from the choir of the Church of the Covenant, and a number of addresses on the place of women in the home, in organizations, and in patriotic work. The committee on arrangements, chosen from the Woman's Benefit Association of the Macabees, includes Miss La Rue, chairman; Mrs. Lulu S. Hammond, Mrs. Mary A. Van Ness, Mrs. Stella Towner, Mrs. May K. Bosworth, Mrs. Cirginia Metcalf, Mrs. Ella Weeks, Mrs. Dorothy Jost, Mrs. Etta Degenhardt, and Mrs. Edna Batch.

HYATTSVILLE.

ALEXANDRIA. Jan. 13.—No p will be held in Alexandria this but the Washington Birthday As tion will make its annual pilgrim Mt. Vernon February 22 and planting the process of the same considered at the same mental and Mrs. Edna Batch.

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County demonstration agents will meet at the agricultural college Mon-day morning and remain in session a week.

Dr. Joseph A. Mudd is critically ill at his home in Spencer street.

Mrs. George F. Jones is spending several weeks in Florida and Havana. She is accompanied by her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Vinton Kes-

H. Winship Wheatley will address a meeting of the Citizens' Association Monday night on "Minor Jurisprud-

Mrs. William L. Forsyth has returned nome after spending a month with relatives in Detroit

Solemn vesper service will be held in St. Jerome's Catholic Church, here, next Sunday evening, for the first time in the history of the church. The service will be held under the auspices of the local Holy Name Society and the Rev. Father Griffen, of the Catholic University, will preach. There will be a public reception of members into the burg.

Twenty Reported Dead

NASHVILLE, Jan. 13.—Twenty persons are reported to have been killed and several are known to have been injured in a cyclone which struck Madison and Amqui, small towns near Nashville.

Washington Birthday Association Will Make Pilgrimage

ALEXANDRIA, Jan. 13.-No parade will be held in Alexandria this year, but the Washington Birthday Association will make its annual pilgrimage to Mt. Vernon February 22 and place a memorial wreath on the tomb of George Washington. The question of the parade was considered at the annual meeting last night at the Chamber of Commerce.

The association re-elected W. W. Ballenger, president; R. M. Graham, first vice president; Harry Hammond, second vice president; Harry B. Caton, third vice president; J. William May, fourth vice president; Harry D. Kirk, fifth vice president; E. E. Downham, chairman of the executive committee; H. Noel Garner, secretary; Carroll, Pierce, treasurer. The committee chairmen are Harry Hammond, finance; Thomas Chauncey, decorations; Thomas L. Hall, carriages; William H. Luckett, music; K. W. Ogden, fire department; A. A. Paul, secret organizations; Harrie White, press. The advisory committee is composed of Julian Y. Williams, E. E. Downham, John H. Trimyer, O. H. Kirk, A. D. Brockett, and F. J. Paff, former presidents of the association. ond vice president; Harry B. Caton,

At the Methodist Protestant Church tonight the subject for the revival ser-vice will be "The Suffering Christ."

Funeral services for William J.
Toler, who died Tuesday night, were
held this afternoon from his home,
217 South Fayette street, and were
conducted by the Rev. Edgar Carpenter, rector of Grace Episcopal
Church. The body was sent to Lynch-

In police court today Dexter Henderson was fined \$10 for false pretenses. Henderson represented himself as an agent for a sewing machine agency and collected \$1.50 from a colored woman for a machine which was never delivered.

sons are reported to have been killed and several are known to have been injured in a cyclone which struck Madison and Amqui, small towns near Nashville.

All wire communication with the places has been cut, and only meager reports have yet been received.

The State corporation commission of Virginia has granted a charter to the National Observation Company, incorporated, with its principal office at Rosslyn. The maximum capital stock is to be \$15,000 and the minimum \$1,000, divided into shares of



"Coffee Don't Hurt Me"

Can he get away with it?

The drug, caffeine, in coffee, about 21/2 grains to the average cup, hurts many coffee drinkers, at some time of life, and often hurts them hard.

Caffeine is a powerful irritant that unsteadies the nerves, races the heart, disorganizes the digestive organs and plays havoc with the health of a large proportion of coffee users.

Of course, there are some who go on drinking coffee for years, without apparent harm, at least they don't suspect it, until the cumulative drug, caffeine, has got in its work. Isn't it the best plan to play safe with health—quit coffee and use

INSTANT POSTUM

This pure food-drink made of wheat and a small portion of molasses tastes much like mild, high-grade Java coffee, yet contains no drug or other harmful element.

Postum comes in two forms: the original **Postum** Cereal, must be well-boiled, 15c and 25c packages; Instant Postum, the soluble form, can be made in the cup, at table, by adding hot water, 30c and 50c tins. Both kinds are equally delicious and the cost per cup is about the same.

The better health that follows quitting coffee has shown thousands

"There's a Reason" for POSTUM

Send 2c stamp for 5-cup sample of Instant Postum. Postum Cereal Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich.

\$100 par value each. The officers are Henry Latterner, of Bethesda, Md., president; David D. Caldwell, of Washington, vice president, and Jo-seph Byrne, of Washington, secretary.

Eleven essays on the life of Robert E. Lee have been submitted by pupils of the Alexandria High School for the prize contest under the auspices of R. E. Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans. The judges, John M. Johnson, E. C. Graham, and the Rev. J. W. Duffey, are now considering them.

GREENWICH, Conn., Jan. 13.-Automobilists and drivers of other vehicles with glaring headlights have been troubled considerably of late by wild deer which have taken refuge in the wooded districts of Greenwich along the Boston postroad. Attracted by the strong

Fight Between Two Deer | lights, the animals get in the paths of automobiles and trolley cars and run for Halts Trolley Car Trip blocks a few feet in advance of the vehicles.

Passengers on a trolley car saw a fight between two bucks on the line between Greenwich and Port Chester. The car was held up for several minutes until the animals were chased away.

The deer at night venture into back-yards and even on the thoroughfares in search of food.

Two Persons Killed in Passenger Train Crash

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Jan. 13.—Two persons were killed and several hurt to-day when a Northwestern passenger train bound for Chicago struck another passenger train bound for Madison at Allis Station.

The Chicago train telescoped several coaches of the Madison train. The wreek caught fire wreck caught fire.

Pennsylvania Avenue

Saks & Company

Seventh Street

Specialists in Apparel for Men, Boys and Children.

An Extraordinary Sale

for Two Days === Friday and Saturday.

Extraordinary because of the values that are included—the reductions made in the regular prices -and the present needs which the included lines supply.

Beginning Friday---Continuing Saturday Special Sale of Saks Men's Suits and Overcoats===

Former prices of which include grades up to \$28.00

The proof of value—if you want your own judgment fortified, lies in the fact that there are Saks Suits and Overcoats-made in the Saks workshops-and taken directly from our regular stock and placed in a sale now at this price-for Clearance.

The Suits are Young Men's styles; and the more conservative models. The Overcoats are Single and Double Breasted: loose-back and body-fitting-with silk or velvet collars. Candidly—we've never offered a stronger attraction in value and price.

Third Floor.

Boys' Clothing.

Many items—and all strong, representative ones.

Boys' Two-pants Suits-Double-breasted; in neat

Boys' Blue Serge and Fancy Mixed Cheviot Suitsbroken sizes of the best selling styles of the season-

\$5.00 Suits.....\$2.50 \$7.50 Suits.....\$3.75 \$10.00 Suits.....\$5.00

Boys' Chinchilla Overcoats - with Rah Rah Hat to match. Gray or Blue. Sizes 21/2, 5, 6 and

Boys' Wash Suits.

Advance spring styles in Plain White Galatea, middy blouse and long or short pants. Also Norfolks and French styles, trimmed with Navy Blue, Light Blue and Dark Red. Sizes 3 to 10 years.

Boys' Norfolk Styles, in Galatea, Madras, Oxford, Crepe and Silk Stripes-plain Blues, Browns and Tans-Stripe and Plaid effects of the coming season. Sizes 3 to 10 years.

Boys' New Spring Waists and Shirts A big variesy of new patterns-light and dark effects.

Blouses have collar attached or neckband. Shirts have attached cuffs. Blouses-6 to 16 years. Shirts-

121/2 to 14. Second Floor.

Women's Boots and Slippers.

Sample Street Pumps-in some of the most effective patterns. Sizes 31/2 and 4-A and B widths. Satin Evening Slippers-Pink, Gold, White, Black, Blue and Purple-Patent Leather and Bronze Kid-all

Sample and Delta High Shoes-not all sizes in every style-but all sizes in the lot.

You will appreciate the qualities and styles offered in this grouping of Samples and regular stock.

Button and Lace Gypsy Boots-Black Kid, trimmed with White, Champagne, Blue; Patent Leather, with cloth tops; Gun-metal, with cloth tops. All sizes.

This lot includes the better grades, with choice at..... First Floor.

Sale of Saks and Manhattan Shirts.

Of necessity sizes now must be broken; but it's a collection of good patterns-and among the assortment you can find almost every size. Plain and Plaited-bosoms; soft and laundered cuffs.

They Are \$1.50 and \$2 Shirts

For 95 cents.

First Floor.

Fur Caps and Gloves.

Men's Electric Seal Caps-in the popular \$1.85 shapes. SPECIAL.... Men's Electric Seal Caps of better grades \$3.15 -popular shapes. SPECIAL..... Men's Velour Gloves — REDUCED from 95c \$1.25.....

Men's Furnishings. White Dress Cloves-in sizes 7 and 71/2 only- 59c

best \$2 grade. REDUCED to.......... Fancy Silk Scaris, in the lancy boxes. 95c REDUCED from \$1.50..... Men's White, Black, Tan and Gray Hose—SPECIAL..... 3 pairs, 50c Men's Wool Drawers; sizes 36, 38, 40, 22, 44 and

46-embracing grades up to \$1.50 a pair. RE- 69c

Sporting and Athletic Goods.

DUCED to.....

Men's Ali-wool Coat Sweaters; shawl collars; all colors and sizes. REDUCED from \$4.00.... Boys' All Wool Coat Sweaters, with and without

shawl collars. Sizes 6 to 16 years. Reduced from \$2.50 to \$1.95. REDUCED \$1.65 from \$2 to.....

Union Hardware Ball-bearing Roller \$1.15 Skates. SPECIAL..... Photo Albums. Thermos Bottles.

50c grade. Pints. 60c grade, \$1.00 grade, 85c 65c grade, \$1.25 grade, \$1.08 75c grade, \$1.75 grade, \$1.49 85c grade, \$2.00 grade, \$1.70 \$1.25 grade, \$2.50 grade, \$2.13 \$1.50 grade, \$1.13 \$3.00 grade, \$2.55 Card Sets. \$3.50 grade, \$2.97 \$2.75 grade, \$2.05 \$4.75 grade, \$4.05 \$5.00 grade, \$3.75 Quarts. \$6.00 grade, \$4.50 \$2.00 grade, \$1.70 \$6.50 grade, \$4.89 \$2.75 grade, \$2.34 \$9.50 grade, \$7.13 \$11.50 grade, \$8.65 \$3.00 grade, \$2.55 \$4.50 grade, \$3.93

\$5.00 grade, \$4.40

Second Floor.

\$12.50 grade, \$9.35

\$13.50 grade, \$10.25